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THE TIMES controls the franchises of both the Associated Press and the United Press, and is the only paper in the city publishing regular telegraphic dispatches.

BETTER THAN ITS WORD.

As anticipated; the Norfolk and Western railroad becomes the purchaser of the Shenandoah Valley railroad, and as predicted in THE TIMES, the Norfolk and Western's liberal policy of development will be extended to the annexed territory. Already on the heels of the purchase comes the announcement of several important improvements contemplated by the company.

It will build the finest depot on its whole system here in Roanoke.

It offers to improve and pave the approaches to the depot and the streets surrounding its property, and maintain them in condition free of charge to the city.

It will lay a new passenger track from beyond the furnaces.

President Kimball authorizes the announcement of his purpose to erect a triumphal granite pile on the summit of Woodland Park to mark the progress of Roanoke from a straggling village of 400 people to a lusty city of 20,000 inhabitants.

THREE NOTABLE DESERTIONS.

The Conference report on the tariff bill has been adopted in both Houses of Congress and now goes to the President for his signature. Senator Carlisle's criticisms of the bill were masterly from the Democratic standpoint, though its defense was in able hands.

But the event which will draw most attention was the desertion of the Republican Senators, Plumb, Paddock and Pettigrew. Representing the three great States of Kansas, Nebraska and South Dakota, which stretch over twelve hundred miles of territory north and south, they have definitely broken away from their party on a great party issue.

Such desertions are never without strong reasons, and those reasons are usually found in the attitude of their constituents. Whether they have gauged the tempers of the Republicans of their States, which have with scarcely a break been Republican from birth, will be learned in November.

A TRUE COMMENT.

The Norfolk Landmark prints the news about the coming of the Duval Engine Works from Zanesville to this city, the donation of five acres of land and the subscription of \$20,000 to its stock and then comments thus:

Does anybody ask what the secret of Roanoke's wonderful growth and success is? The answer is found in the above paragraph. A bona fide enterprise can get a proposition like that in twenty minutes at Roanoke. The people know what to do and do it. A word to the wise should be sufficient.

A SIGNIFICANT REPORT.

The letter-carriers' report prepared by Assistant Postmaster O'Brien for the month of September contains some comparisons worthy of attention. The increase in business over that of August is over 12 per cent., and the increase over September of last year is nearly 200 per cent. Comment is unnecessary. But will the Postoffice department please take notice?

FOUR NEW NAVAL VESSELS.

Strong interest is excited in Washington over the result of the bids to be opened at the Navy Department today for the construction of three great battle-ships and a triple screw steamer. Nearly \$15,000,000 is appropriated for their construction. Undoubtedly nickel steel plates will be ordered for their defensive armament.

An opinion prevails that they will be divided among several shipyards. The Cramps, of Philadelphia, will get one or two. The Scotts, of the Union Iron Works, San Francisco, will be reasonable sure of another, while some of the Wilmington people will make a strong bid for the third.

Secretary Tracy uses considerable latitude in passing upon the bids, as he did when he took the line of battle ship

away from the Scotts in the spring and gave it to the Cramps, though the former's bid on the official plans was several thousand less the lower.

The Cramps shrewdly put in a supplemental bid on a set of elastic plans, with a new arrangement of the boilers, which enabled the Secretary to give them the ship.

MISS WHEELLOCK'S INNOVATION

A paragraph is going the rounds of the papers that Miss Kate Irwin Wheellock, of Milwaukee, is gaining fame and money by teaching whist.

"While Miss Wheellock," says the item, "acknowledges for her masters the recognized authorities of the game, Pole, Campbell, Walker, etc., she claims an original method of teaching, and has introduced what she calls a purely American innovation into the game; instead of exposing the last card of the deck as the trump, she cuts the trump from a pack not in play and exposes it throughout the hand."

Then Miss Wheellock is teaching something which is not whist.

There is going to be a big charity doll show in New York next December. Five thousand beautiful dolls dressed by Mrs. Harrison and other charitable ladies will be a part of its exhibit. Prizes of several hundred dollars will be given to the ladies who dress the dolls most stylishly. The dolls are provided free of expense by Messrs. Arkell and Harrison, proprietors of Frank Leslie's Illustrated Newspaper, who give the fair. Details are given in the current Leslie's.

THE Norfolk Public Ledger, one of the meekest and most compact papers in Virginia, has come out in a new dress from head to foot. It is really a remarkable paper for the amount of news it gets in its small pages.

STARVING IRELAND.

The Potato Rot Has Cut Off Her Food and a Famine Threatens.

NEW YORK, Sept. 30.—[Special]—The Sun to-morrow will publish an appeal to the people of America from the American committee for relief of the famine in Ireland. Most trustworthy information from public and private sources in all parts of Ireland is that a complete failure of the potato crop makes another great famine inevitable. The point of actual suffering from hunger has not yet been reached, but the days of starvation are not far off.

The movement is on foot among well-known men not connected with any political body to bring to the attention of America the appalling calamity which now threatens Ireland, before actual death from hunger has claimed any victims. It has been decided to organize under the name of the American Committee for the Relief of Famine in Ireland.

The American committee contains the following names: Chairman, James Grant Wilson; honorary chairmen, Rutherford B. Hayes, Grover Cleveland; vice-chairmen, James Redpath, George Eckert, Elliot P. Shepard, James Phillips, Jr.; treasurer, The New York Sun; secretary, Arthur Dudley Vinton.

The appeal says the worst fears have been realized. The potato rot blast has spread through all parts of Ireland.

ITS DYING THROBS.

The House Exhibits the Usual Signs of Approaching Dissolution.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 30.—[Special]—Throughout the afternoon there was manifested in the House every appearance of an early dissolution of Congress. The members congregated in the space in front of the Speaker's desk and earnestly sought for recognition.

Such as were recognized had, for the most part, only private bills to be considered. Holman, of Indiana, had bill of a constituent for the recovery of \$200 for a horse taken by United States troops during the war.

He immediately became a target for vocal slings and sarcasm of members who have suffered from his numerous objections; but the discussion was entirely good natured, and his bill was permitted to be passed. The House finally discovered itself without a quorum, and at 3:45 adjourned.

Major Lewis' Subscription.

Major Andrew Lewis subscribed \$500 to the hospital fund yesterday.

KINDLY COMMENTS.

What Our Contemporaries Have to Say of The Times' New Departure.

From the Newcastle Herald.

THE ROANOKE TIMES, one of our most welcome exchanges, has been enlarged to an eight-page forty-eight column paper, and is quite attractive in appearance. It is printed on a new Hoe double cylinder press, and is a well edited, excellent newspaper. We wish THE TIMES success in its new departure.

From the Salem Times-Register.

The enterprising and newsy TIMES, of Roanoke, is now an eight-page forty-eight column paper and is a credit to the Magic City, it so ably represents.

From the Washington Sunday Herald.

THE ROANOKE TIMES comes to us enlarged to eight pages and generally improved in appearance, so now it is one of the handsomest and largest papers in Virginia. Messrs. Grandy and Browne, formerly of this city, are energetic and capable newspaper men, and if the thriving city of Roanoke gives them the support they deserve they are bound to succeed. Nothing contributes more to the development of a town than a live newspaper, and that Messrs. Grandy and Browne are giving Roanoke. Success to them and to the future great city of Southern Virginia.

From the Bluefield Exponent.

This popular daily came out Friday in a complete new form and dress, it now being a six-column quarto. It is published by a stock company who propose to expend some money in making it the leading daily in the Southwest. They have several telegraph franchises and a large corps of correspondents, and will undoubtedly make a success of it.

THE TIMES advertises Situations Wanted and Found free of charge.

THE TIMES' PRIZE CONTEST.

Desiring to stimulate popular interest in Roanoke's welfare and development, we offer as a prize one year's subscription to THE TIMES for the best suggestion for the improvement and benefit of the city.

Each communication must be limited to fifty words, and be signed by a fictitious name, the real name of the writer accompanying the article, but not for publication.

The contest will be open until Sunday, October 12, and the suggestions will be printed from day to day.

The judges on the merits of the suggestions will be Captain J. H. Wingate, Thomas W. Miller, Esq., and Dr. A. Z. Kolner, who have kindly consented to act in that capacity. Their judgment will be absolute and final.

A Building Inspector.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES: If Roanoke hasn't a building inspector the appointment of one would be wise. Persons ought not to be allowed to use the walls of adjoining buildings as party walls. Knoxville had a big accident recently from the erection of a faulty structure. Let us profit by experience.

SAFETY.

A Fire Alarm System.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES: The city ought to provide an electric fire alarm system. Roanoke hasn't had a large conflagration yet, and one doesn't want one.

PRECAUTION.

A Police Justice.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES: The mayor's office should be given its proper dignity by having a justice appointed to try the cases of the police court. The mayor would then, also, have more time to devote to the important business of his office.

COMMON SENSE.

Overhead Bridges.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES: The City Council should hurry up the erection of overhead bridges. Their completion will give a great impetus to the growth of the northwest district, and insure safety of life and limb.

NORTHWEST.

For Wholesale Houses.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES: If capitalists would put their money into the erection of buildings for wholesale houses, great good would accrue to Roanoke. As was shown by interviews in THE TIMES recently, the establishment of wholesale shoe and dry goods houses would add largely to our trade, by enabling merchants to buy all their goods in Roanoke.

G. N. O.

ABOUT THE HOTELS.

Judge W. R. Staples, of Richmond, was at Hotel Roanoke yesterday. He is a remarkable looking man with a strong, forcible expression, and a decidedly handsome man. The judge is one of the most prominent lawyers of the Old Dominion, and enjoys a large practice. He is one of the counsels for the Norfolk and Western railroad.

A reporter of THE TIMES met Capt. Cannon Patterson at Hotel Roanoke yesterday. He is much in love with Roanoke. Said he:

"Roanoke is entitled to the name of the 'Magic City.' Already surpassing Lynchburg, it bids fair soon to be the leading city in the State. Why not? It is convenient to inexhaustible supplies of the best iron ore and cooking coal perhaps in America, and it seems to be a settled fact that iron can be manufactured cheaper here than in Pennsylvania. Owing to the great depth of the cooking coal mined in England and its consequent increase in price, that country can no longer be a competitor with America in making pig iron for the markets of the world. The use of iron is increasing faster than the production. Hence it is difficult to forecast the great prosperity yet to come, not only to Roanoke, but to Virginia. In the place of advising young men to West I shall advise them to go to Roanoke."

Major Asa Rogers, of Petersburg, blonde gray mustached and courtly, is at Hotel Roanoke. He is the younger brother of Captain Mori M. Rogers, of Roanoke, two years younger and a little handsomer. For eight years he has been General Mahone's political lieutenant and right hand. "I have given up politics," said he, "and am going to locate in Roanoke. This administration has no recognition for the only element in the South which could have built up the Republican party here. The Northern Republicans want the South solid, and are working to keep it so."

"General Mahone, too, has abandoned politics. He has spent years out of his life and money without stint to build up the Republican party in this State, and now the Northern Republicans turn around and send the negro Langston in the Petersburg district."

"I don't know whether Langston will run again. If he does, he will be buried. Mr. Venable refused the Democratic nomination, because his business demanded his time. Do you know the Venables have the third largest tobacco establishment in America? They pay \$2,000 a day in tobacco taxes. When I was collector of the Petersburg district under Arthur, they paid \$600,000 a year revenue taxes."

A Good Suggestion.

BLUEFIELD, Sept. 27.
EDITOR ROANOKE TIMES: The notice in THE TIMES of to-day, with reference to the visit of the British Iron and Steel Institute delegates and members of German and French societies of like eminence, arouses great interest wherever it is read.

I look forward with much pleasure to the delightful reception they will meet with at Roanoke and other cities and places along the now immense line of the Norfolk and Western Railway.

It would yield me the greatest satisfaction, as a member of the reception committee, if the phenomenal progress and development of this entire region, for the last five or six years, could, in some way, be clearly presented to our distinguished and very welcome visitors while at Roanoke. Yours faithfully,

C. R. Boyd.

Beware of Frauds.—Be sure you get the genuine Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil. It cures, colds, croup, asthma, deafness and rheumatism.

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Will offer this week new fall goods in every department.

Our buyer has recently returned from the Eastern markets, and we are now prepared to offer a much handsomer and more complete line of

DRY GOODS, NOTIONS AND CLOAKS

Than has ever before been showed in Roanoke.

Ladies of this and surrounding sections will do well to consult us either in person or through the mails before making their fall purchases.

The exact date of our

Grand Fall Opening

Will be announced next week.

Our specialties—Dress goods, house furnishings, ladies', misses' and children's cloaks.

Heironimus & Brugh

A Card to the Public.

We take pleasure in announcing to the public that we are receiving daily our

Spring and Summer Goods,

Such as a fine line of

DRESS GOODS,

TRIMMINGS TO MATCH.

We make a specialty in mourning goods. Three hundred pieces of dress gingham from 6 cents upwards. We have a splendid line of towels, napkins and table lines. Our

Notion Department,

Such as handkerchiefs, ladies' and children's hose, cannot be surpassed in Roanoke.

We Have Just Received

Over one thousand pieces of Swiss and Hamburg edgings, flouncings in black and white.

Do not make up any more underwear when you can buy them at 29 and 59 cents apiece in gowns as well as skirts.

Try one of our Kabo corsets, as they are guaranteed for twelve months.

We are the agents for the Foster kid gloves, the best on the market.

We keep a full line of beaded capes as low as \$2 a piece.

In fact, you can find anything that is kept in a first-class dry goods house at the lowest prices.

Do not pass us by, but come in, as we take a pleasure in showing goods.

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And everybody that buys groceries,

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You want to save your money by buying where the

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And the stock large and varied to select from.

EVERYTHING YOU WANT TO EAT,

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Ever before seen in Roanoke.

Ladies' and Childrens' Furnishings.

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Everything Ready.

Tables and shelves piled full and strained to their utmost capacity to hold up the finest novelties in

FALL SUITS AND OVERCOATS

Each season we add more and greater attractions than the one preceding it, and for this season our efforts have been crowned by placing together one of the grandest lines of

FINE, HIGH ART CLOTHING

It has ever been our good fortune to see. Our main effort has been to secure the finest and best made clothing rather than a cheap, poorly-made garment, consequently we have no "slop shop" trash to show you. We will call your attention to a line of

FALL OVERCOATS

That cannot be surpassed in style, quality and workmanship in the largest cities, and at prices within your reach. If you are not a deformity we can convince you that our clothing will fit you as well, and, in some instances, better than the merchant tailor guarantees. Everything ready for your inspection; we invite you, and you will call if you enjoy a fine garment at a moderate price.

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